REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,812,852 (Poulsen) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,937,194 (Sundaresan). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.
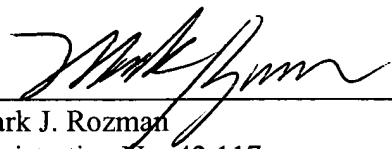
With regard to claim 1, neither reference teaches or suggests translating a first program unit into two different other program units. That is, claim 1 recites translating a first program unit into a second program unit and also translating that same first program unit into a third program unit, where the second and third program units are to perform different recited functions.

Neither Poulsen nor Sundaresan teaches or suggests translating a program unit into two different program units. In this regard, Poulsen merely teaches a single translation of a program, while Sundaresan nowhere discusses program translation. This is especially so, as the Office Action simply identifies the same portion of Poulsen to contend that Poulsen somehow teaches or suggests first and second translations of a program unit. Office Action, p. 3. However, this portion of Poulsen merely teaches that a program 100 is augmented via a translation means 120 to produce a translated parallel computer program 130. Poulsen, col. 8, lns. 30-32. Nowhere does Poulsen teach or suggest translating program 100 in any other manner. Accordingly, for at least this reason, claim 1 and claims 2-7 are patentable. For at least the same reasons, claims 8-14 and claims 15-20 are also patentable.

In view of these remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance and the Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504.

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